COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE TREASURER STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, §2 and the authority granted to the State Board of Retirement under G.L. c. 32, § 1 *et seq.*, the State Board of Retirement will hold a public hearing on April 26, 2013, at 10:00 A.M. at One Ashburton Place, 12th floor, Boston, MA. The purpose of the hearing is to afford all interested persons an opportunity to provide oral and/or written comment regarding the proposed amendment to 941 CMR 2.09. The proposed amendment defines the eligibility requirements for the purchase of contract service as creditable service pursuant to G.L. c. 32, §4(1)(s), the standards for calculating contract service as creditable service and the actual purchase of contract service as creditable service. The proposed regulations are available for inspection at the State Board of Retirement or may be viewed at its website at http://www.mass.gov/retirement.

Speakers may notify the State Board of Retirement of their intent to testify by sending an e-mail to < MSRBcomments@tre.state.ma.us>. Anyone wishing to attend this hearing who seeks special accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact Amy Fagerlund at (617) 367-9333 or afagerlund@tre.state.ma.us, and is asked to do so as much in advance of the hearing as possible.

The State Board of Retirement encourages all interested parties to submit written testimony electronically by emailing it to <<u>MSRBcomments@tre.state.ma.us</u>>. Please submit electronic testimony as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with "941 CMR 2.09" in the subject line. To be considered, all submissions must include the sender's full name and address. Individuals who are unable to submit written testimony by email should mail submissions to Amy Fagerlund, Office of the State Treasurer, One Ashburton Place, 12th Floor, Boston, MA 02108. Written comments must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. on April 26, 2013.

s/ Nicola Favorito Dated: March 15, 2013

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